

Numismatics International

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Fifty-second meeting of
NUMISMATICS INTERNATIONAL

Wednesday, October 16, 1968, 7:30 P.M.

Northwest National Bank - Community Room

Walnut Hill Shopping Village

DALLAS, TEXAS, U.S.A.

PROGRAM: "Ancient Greek Coins Showing the Development
of the Coinage Art" -- There will be 123
color slides shown by the speaker covering
the period 700 B.C. to 57 A.D.

SPEAKER: Kenneth Robinson

ORDERS ACCEPTED FCR:

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO, Y3-5, F-VF	\$2.25 set
CZECHOSLOVAKIA, YS25, XF	3.00 ea.
" YS28, XF	3.50 ea.
SARAWAK, Y10, VF-XF	4.50 ea.
" Y16-17, F-VF	1.35 set
" Y19, VF-XF	8.50 ea.
" Y21, F-VF	5.00 ea.
STR. SETTLEMENTS, Y10, F	.60 ea.
" Y17, F	.75 ea.
" Y19, F	.85 ea.
" Y27, VF-XF	.75 ea.
" Y29, VF-XF	.40 ea.
" Y30, VF-XF	.25 ea.
" Y31, F-VF	1.25 ea.
" Y33-36, VF-XF	3.00 set

All orders for above coins must be in by October 21st.

BOOK -- "Report of Committee to Research
World Coinage Types and Varieties"
by NI-GCTA Members, 126 pp. \$2.00 ea.
(Note: We still have 96 copies
on hand and need the support of all members
to dispose of these.)

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EXTRA COINS AVAILABLE FOR SALE TO MEMBERS:

8 -- CONGO, Y2, 10 Sengi 1967, UNC	.50 ea.
14 -- FORMOSA, Y19-20, 1967, UNC	.35 set
4 -- KENYA, Y1-6, 1966, UNC	1.35 set
3 -- SINGAPORE, Y6, UNC (Orders for \$10.00 or more, deduct 10%)	1.15 ea.

LATE NEWS -- LATE NEWS -- LATE NEWS -- LATE NEWS

The new 8th Edition Yeoman is out. See Page 6 for
details of how to order your copy from the club!!!

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SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS: Members #269-273 published in the September Bulletin have been admitted to membership.

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NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: The following persons have applied for membership. If no written objection is received by November 1, 1968, their membership will become effective that date:

274	Bill German 3217 N. Haskell Dallas, Texas 75204	World Types.
275	J. Adams Dashiell Box 12125 Ft. Worth, Texas 76116	Crowns and Commemoratives. Trades by Mail.
276	Neil Sowards 548 Home Ave. Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46807	World Types. Trades by Mail.
277	Robert M. Saiber Box 2095 Menlo Park Station Edison, New Jersey 08817	Dealer in Asian Coins. Trades by Mail.

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OUTSTANDING COIN ORDERS LISTED IN PAST BULLETINS:

May 1967 -- Australian Changeover Set in Vinyl Case
Nov. 1967 -- Chile (All issues offered) - (Still on the way)
Feb. 1968 -- Finland Y62; Philippines 1967 Set
Apr. 1968 -- Afghanistan Y6, Y10.
May 1968 -- All Afghanistan; Great Britain Decimal Set; and
Vatican City Set.
June 1968 -- Bolivia Y63, Y82, Y85, Y87-88.
July 1968 -- Brazil Y24; Czechoslovakia YS27; Netherlands C92.
Aug. 1968 -- All Liberia; New Caledonia Y1-4; and all Books.
Sep. 1968 -- All outstanding.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Scott Semans
Barrows Hall
Oberlin College
Oberlin, Ohio 44074

**"ARABIAN NIGHT"
(December 18th)**

With La Tunisia the place who could tell us better of the mystery and tales of Ancient Arabia than Ali Baba of "Ali Baba and the 40 Thieves" fame would you believe?

Khalid I. Babaa

. . . . representative of the League of Arab States to the South-west United States.

Subject: "Arab History and Contributions to Civilization as it Relates to Numismatics" and "Christmas in the Holy Land".

Arabian menu includes:

Poulet Saute a la Ilkabahar
Arabian Coffee

Plus: Les petits cadeaux.

Plus: First place winning exhibits and fabulous numismatic display of Tunisia.

The Price: \$5.00 Per Person!!

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NEXT MONTH: Remember the annual Exhibit Night and the Election of Officers for 1969 are scheduled for next month's meeting. See the September Bulletin for the categories and rules governing your exhibit. Let's everyone show up with an exhibit and make this show the best ever.

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MEMBERSHIP CONTEST: Standings to date in the drive are as follows:

11 new members --	Patrick D. Hogan
10 new members --	Bob Tomlinson
5 new members --	Marvin Fraley, Rex O. McGee
4 new members --	Bud Butterworth, Jerry Remick
3 new members --	Matthew J. van der Voort
2 new members --	Robert L. Ballard, John K. Graves, Glenn V. Ritter
1 new member --	Colin Bruce, Robert L. Clark, Kenneth Robinson, Mac Taylor, John Vandigriff

Remember, the contest runs until the Christmas Dinner-Meeting and you still have plenty of time to overtake frontleaders Pat Hogan and Bob Tomlinson for the prize (1964 South Africa Proof Set). Write to Membership Chairman Jack E. Lewis if you need application blanks.

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See Page 6 for late announcement concerning new 8th Edition Yeoman.

"WHITMAN NUMISMATIC JOURNAL" LISTINGS:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>TENTATIVE CATALOG NO. & ISSUE</u>	<u>TENTATIVE VALUE</u>
GER. DEM. REP.: (EAST GERMANY)	Y18 20 Mark Silver 1968 - Karl Marx Sesquicentennial Commemorative	\$17.50
MACAO:	Y1a 5 Avos Nickel-Brass 1967 .20	
	Y2a 10 Avos Nickel-Brass 1967 .35	
	Y6 1 Pataca Nickel 1967 1.00	
SOUTH AFRICA:	Y88 1 Cent Bronze 1968 - SOUTH AFRICA .10	
	Y88a 1 Cent Bronze 1968 - SUID-AFRICA .10	
	Y89 2 Cents Bronze 1968 - SOUTH AFRICA .15	
	Y89a 2 Cents Bronze 1968 - SUID-AFRICA .15	
TONGA:	Y18 1 Seniti Bronze 1968 .15	
	Y19 2 Seniti Bronze 1968 .20	
	Y20 5 Seniti Copper-Nickel 1968 .25	
	Y21 10 Seniti Copper-Nickel 1968 .50	
	Y22 20 Seniti Copper-Nickel 1968 .75	
	Y23 50 Seniti Copper-Nickel 1968 1.00	
	Y24 1 Pa'anga Copper-Nickel 1968 3.00	
	Y25 2 Pa'anga Copper-Nickel 1968 4.50	
URUGUAY:	Y45 1 Peso Nickel-Brass 1968 .10	
	Y46 5 Pesos Nickel-Brass 1968 .20	
	Y47 10 Pesos Nickel-Brass 1968 .30	

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FINLAND: In last month's bulletin you received a bonus article on the coinage of Finland. At the time we went to press we were short the introduction page to the article which the author John Graves had on the way to us. Included with this bulletin is this introduction page. Please include this page with your copy of the article received last month.

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JOHN HUNTER, Member #267, would like to announce that his primary collecting interest is Nickel Coins of the World and Canadian Coins. He also trades by mail and is interested in corresponding with any other members who collect Nickel Coinage of the world.

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A NOTE FROM YOUR SECRETARY: Enclosed with the bulletin this month is a list of all coins and books that our records indicate are due you. An asterisk appears alongside the items that have came in and are ready for your pickup at the meeting. For the "out-of-towners" who receive their coins by mail, the asterisk means that it is ready to mail and will be going out to you within the next several days. We mail only once a month in order to save you postage costs. Since we are fast approaching the end of the year and I will be turning over all records to a new secretary, please check your records against mine and let me know of any discrepancies.

Don Ruberts

EMERGENCY MONEY SOCIETY: Perhaps the most "numismatic" membership cards carried by members of any coin collecting group today are now in the pockets of members of the Emergency Money Society.

According to Richard Upton, editor of the Society's Journal, membership cards have been printed on the plain reverse of German paper Notgeld, issued during the 1914-1923 period when emergency money was used to replace the Reichsmark.

"Each membership card is sealed in plastic on both sides", Upton noted, adding that these are permanent membership cards with self-adhering renewal dates mailed to members upon renewal. These, when applied, cover the previous expiration date and are non-removable.

Membership in the Society includes 4 quarterly issues of the Journal, "The Journal of Emergency Money". A Coin Exchange is also maintained. Annual dues are \$2.00 (US Funds) and may be remitted to Upton or JEMS at P. O. Box 36, Pimento, Indiana 47866.

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BOOK REVIEWS

by Jerry Remick

"Pillars and Portraits" by Robert P. Harris, 1968, 96 pages, illustrated, \$5.20 U.S. postpaid. Published by Bonanza Press, Box 4491, San Jose, California 95126, USA. Available from Robert P. Harris, 4535-B Stevens Creek Blvd., Santa Clara, Calif. 95051, USA.

This pocket-size catalogue covers the die struck, round, milled edge silver coins from 1/4 real through 8 reals produced by authority of the Spanish rulers at the mints in the Western Hemisphere during the period 1732 to 1826.

Photographs are shown of many of the type coins and evaluations are given in Fine and in Extra Fine condition for each coin.

This lengthy series of coinage with its many mint marks and mints is presented in a clear and logical manner. The coins struck at each mint are listed together. Thus there are 14 sections for the 14 mints starting with the mint at Chihuahua and ending with the mint at Zacatecas. The coins issued by each mint are subdivided according to the Spanish king under whom they were issued starting from the lowest denomination and ending with the highest denomination.

An introductory section covers mints and mint marks and the historical background of the pillar-type coins and the various Spanish kings under whom they were issued. Counterfeit coins are also discussed as these are being made today in the Far East.

The date listing of this lengthy series of coins by mint and the valuations given make this catalogue an essential guide to all who collect this series.

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LATE NEWS:

The new 8th Edition "Modern World Coins" by R. S. Yeoman is out. It came as a surprise as we were not expecting it until next month. Anyway, the club has secured some copies and can offer them at a savings to all members.

Members Cost -- \$4.25 each Postpaid
(Retail Price is \$5.00)

Order your copy now using your regularly enclosed coin order blank. We have the new "brown books" on hand and can make immediate shipment.

For the local members, we will have plenty of copies available at the meeting this month and you can pick up your copy at the meeting.

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LATE APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

278 Al Oravec
P. O. Box 15
Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

Dealer in World Coins.
Trades by Mail.

(Our sincere apologies to Al as somehow his application was received last month, and should have been included in the September applications, but was routed to the wrong person. It was just discovered that the application had been overlooked and we belatedly announce it.)

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THE COINAGE OF FINLAND

Compiled by John K. Graves

INTRODUCTION

Finland, in the past, has commanded little interest for the average American collector, other than as a part of world types. Even in this area, the completion of a full type collection is extremely difficult, caused mainly by the scarcity of the 1918 Iron 5 Pennia piece. But like many sleepers, interest seems to be on the upswing, both here and abroad. This is particularly true of the earlier copper pieces in grades of extra fine or better. The quantity struck for most of these coins should present little problem for the specialist, but finding these rather inexpensive coins poses problems so often found in the field of minors struck in quantity. Rare crowns are generally obtainable - for a price; the lowly minor often available only with constant search and a lot of luck.

All Finnish coins were struck at the Helsinki Mint with four exceptions. The 25 pennia, 50 pennia and 1 markka of 1921 were struck by The Mint, Birmingham and bear the traditional H mintmark. The 1 markka piece for 1922 bears the heart mintmark, customary for coins struck at Copenhagen. All other marks on Finnish coins refer to the Director of the Mint at the time of striking, again with two exceptions: The 1960 1000 markkaa commemorative also bears the letter "J", the initial of Toivo Jaatinen, a noted Finnish sculptor who designed the coin. The latest commemorative, the 1967 10 markkaa coin, was designed by the sculptor, Heikki Haivaoja, whose initial "H" should not be confused with the initial "S" for the present Director of the Mint, Allan Soiniemi, who has been most helpful in supplying much of the detailed information contained herein.

Of particular interest is the person portrayed on the 1960 1000 markkaa commemorative, an identity curiously ignored not only by Mr. Yeoman, but also in every other publication on Finland I have yet found. He is Johan Wilhelm Snellman, one of Finland's greats, but a man who seems to have been ignored by biographical dictionaries and encyclopedias. He was a university professor, and among those knowledgeable in Finnish history, is regarded as the most important man in arousing the national spirit of the country so long under the domination of Sweden and Russia. He was the Chief of Finances when the Mint of Finland was established. The "4" over "IV" on the reverse signifies the 4th of April 1860, the date Finland officially began its own monetary system of Penni and Markka. Paper currency was issued almost immediately, but it was not until 1864 that the first coins were struck and put into circulation. These were of the denominations of 1 Penni, 50 Pennia and 1 Markka. The following year the 25 Pennia, 10 Pennia and 5 Pennia pieces were introduced. The final non-gold piece, the 2 Markkaa was first issued in 1867. It was eighteen years after the establishment of the new monetary system that gold coins were struck and issued, though in rather limited quantities.

For a nation of rugged individualists, burning fierce with national pride and a sense of honor for its indebtedness to those who have helped in times of stress not found in any other country surviving the ravages of World War I, I find the coinage of Finland a most interesting and challenging field of numismatics.

John K. Graves